A SHIP IN A CYCLONE.

The Story of the Merry Grambus and Her Crew-A Sailor's Lucky Escape.

"Wal, sir, I hope I may be keel-hauled if we didn't lie right in that spot until 4 o'clock in the after con afore the storm came. Then it ame down on us as if it had been shot out of a gun. The sky turned so black in five menutes that it shome. Then, so black in five minutes that it shone. Then, with a big bowl, the wind came down on us. There was a report like a cannon, and our big mainto, s'I was blown right out o' the boil ropes. The old hooker heeled over till her lee rail war in the water, an' then she jumped forward like mad. But before she had made a cable's length she came to a dead stop and stood right straight up. And now comes the strange part of my story.

The jib and spanker were trimmed in flat But would you believe it, sir, the jib filled out to starboard and the spanker to port, and the durned old hooker began to go round. 'Down with your belm!' yelled the old

"Lord bless you, sir, we didn't know which was down, fur the wind war on our which was down, for the wind war on our port beam forrard and on our starboard beam aft, and wot were down fur the jib war up fur the spanker. We put it fust one way and then the other, but it didn't make no difference. The Merry Grampus jist kept right on a-goin' around. Faster and faster she went, till everything war in a whirl. Soon we all began fur to get dizzy, and in half an hour every man jack on and in half an hour every man jack on board war as sick as a girl on her fust yatchin' trip. Still the old girl went waltzin'

around.
"'Great Scott!' yelled the old man:
'we're right in the middle o' a cyclone, and
we're rewolvin' with it. We'll never git
out o, this till the durned thing's blowed itself out.'

"Round and round we went, and by and by the men began fur to lose their senses. In twenty-four hours we war all ravin' lunatics, 'ceptin' me. I started in to turnin' around the other way as fast as I could, and fur twenty four hours i kept my senses. Then I got exhausted and fell down senseless on the deck, When I came to I war jist as loony as any on 'em. But in my excitement I staggered up ag'in' the mainmast and soon began to git my senses ag'in'; 'cause, sir, don't you see, that part o' the ship war in the middle and war goin' around so slow it didn't have no effect on me. Soon as I found that out I got the other men to come there, and in course of other men to come there, and in course of the next few hours we war all sensible ag'in'. But the cyclone kept right on. Fur ten days and nights that old hooker kept goin' round like a fly wheel on an engine. Then she began fur to slow up. The clouds began to break away and soon the sun shone. The cyclone had blowed itself out."—New York Times.

The Mental Phases of Dyspepsia. The mental and emotional characteristics of dyspeptics are very interesting. There is a languor that forbids exertion of the mind by hindering the concentration of the attention upon any subject. About an hour after a meal drowsiness comes on that lasts several hours. Sleeping at these times does no good, for headache or dizziness is very certain to follow a nap. Most such sufferers are prone to mental depression which may mark the beginning, of real mental derangement.

The heart, being supplied partially by the same nerves as the stomach, is apt to act irregularly. It throbs tumultuously, or omes unusually slow in its beats, or the pulse may intermit, losing a beat every few seconds or minute. These symptoms are often taken as indications of organic disease which does not exist. Constipation is often present, or there is a troublesome diarrhea, especially after an acute attack of indigestion. The skin is usually dry and harsh, and cold hands or feet are not unharsh, and cold hands or feet are not un-common among the complaints of the dyspeptic, especially if he has formed the habit of watching all his symptoms with exactness as many of them do. The tongue is "furred" or covered with more or less thick coating. Sleep is interfered with. There is much difficulty in falling asleep, in the first place, and then there are apt to be dreams of an unpleasant character.—Cor. Globe-Democrat.

His House Because the Key Pits. "In the years after the fire hundreds of cottages were built, all as near alike as peas cottages were built, all as near alike as peas in the same pod, and as numbers were not put on at first, new occupants were in danger of making a good many mistakes as to the houses occupied, and in scores of cases a man coming home at night has said to himself, 'This is my house because the key fits. Here's a little box of a hall, a little stumpy stairway going down parlor little strumpy stairway going down, parlor to the right, bed-room in front; that's right; this is my house, and here I am,' and ten to one he was in somebody else's house, because in those days a man who took his toddy could no more easily find his own house in a cottage row than he could select his wife's bandbox from a roomful."—Inter Ocean "Curbstone Crayons."

One of Longfellow's Short Poems. One of Longfellow's sweetest short poems grew out of the gift of a pen by a school-girl, whom the poet addresses as "Beauti-ful Helen of Maine." The pen was made of a piece of the chain which bound the prisa piece of the chain which bound the pris-oner of Chillon and a fragment of the frig-ate Constitution, while precious stones from Ceylon, Siberia and Maine were inset. The "beautiful Helen" is the daughter of D. A. C. Hamlin, now prominent in the list of candidates for the Maine governorship. On her mother's side the young lady is a grand-daughter of the late Judge Cutting, of the Maine supreme court.—Chicago Journal.

The Winter's Severity in England. The usual severity of the past winter gave Englishmen an opportunity of includg-ing in many sports common to colder countries, but rarely enjoyed there. Skating has been general, and during the week that followed the New Year many toboggans and aleighs were seen in and about the vicinity of London; but all these amusements were eclipsed by a man who built an icoin January on the frozen surface of the Reading reservoir, to the delight of the whole neighborhood.—Chicago Times.

One Way of Utilizing It. Young playwright—Well, Mr. Buncomb, have you read my comedy! Buncomb-Yes, and I find I shall be unable to use it. Yes, and I find I shall be unable to use it. It has some good points, my dear boy, but it's crude—dem crude. Young playwright—Then you couldn't think of putting it on the stage? Buncomb—Well, I didn't mean to say that. I could have it ground up and use it for a snow-storm, if you would care to have it put on that way.—Chicago Rambler.

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